

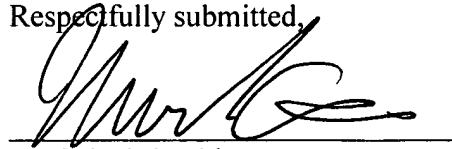
**REMARKS**

In the Office Action dated August 26, 2004, claims 3-11 and 20-27 were pending in the application. The Examiner has indicated that claims 21-27 are allowed. The Examiner also stated that claims 5, 6, 9 and 11 would be allowable if placed in Independent form. Finally, claims 3, 4 and 20 have been rejected under Section 102(b) based upon DALLEN and claims 7, 8 and 10 have been rejected under Section 103 in over DALLEN.

In the present amendment, claim 20 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 5 and claim 5 has been cancelled. Therefore, all independent claims in the application are now properly allowable and all dependent claims depend from a properly allowable independent claim.

By this amendment, Applicant submits that the claims of the present invention now embody patentable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that such action toward these ends be taken.

Respectfully submitted,



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